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To the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks:

The undersigned assignee of the entire interest in application for letters patent filed on March 3, 2000, Serial No. 09/518,551, entitled **APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR IMPLEMENTING RAID DEVICES IN A CLUSTER COMPUTER SYSTEM** and having the named inventor(s) **Govindaraju Gnanasivam** and **Krishnakumar Rao Surugucchi**, hereby appoints the following attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith; said appointment to be to the exclusion of the inventor(s) and his (their) attorney(s) in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.32: Harold C. Hohbach, Reg. No. 17,757; Aldo J. Test, Reg. No. 18,048; Thomas O. Herbert, Reg. No. 18,612; Donald N. MacIntosh, Reg. No. 20,316; Edward S. Wright, Reg. No. 24,903; David J. Brezner, Reg. No. 24,774; Richard E. Backus, Reg. No. 22,701; James A. Sheridan, Reg. No. 25,435; Robert B. Chickering, Reg. No. 24,286; Richard F. Trecartin, Reg. No. 31,801; Steven F. Caserza, Reg. No. 29,780; Laura L. Kulhanjian, Reg. No. 33,257; Michael A. Kaufman, Reg. No. 32,988; Edward N. Bachand, Reg. No. 37,085; R. Michael Ananian, Reg. No. 35,050; Stephen M. Knauer, Reg. No. 38,208; Robin M. Silva, Reg. No. 38,304; David C. Ashby, Reg. No. 36,432; Maria S. Swiatek, Reg. No. 37,244; Dolly A. Vance, Reg. No. 39,054; Larry Mendenhall, Reg. No. 38,555; Steven M. Freeland, Reg. No. 42,555; William E. Nuttle, Reg. No. 42,943; Joseph Lutz, Reg. No. 43,765; and Brian G. Hart, Reg. No. 44,421; provided that if any one of said attorneys ceases being affiliated with the law firm of Flehr Hohbach Test, Albritton & Herbert, LLP as partner, employee or of counsel, such attorney's appointment as attorney and all powers derived therefrom shall terminate on the date such attorney ceases being so affiliated.

In accordance with 37 CFR 3.73 the assignee hereby certifies that the evidentiary documents with respect to its ownership have been reviewed and that, to the best of assignee's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee seeking to take this action.

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